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Application No.: 10/582,320	)	CUSTOMER NO. 27717
Applicant: Kenneth George Brash	)	
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Title: RESIDUAL GAS REMOVAL METHOD	)	

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY FILED  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.112**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 22, 2010, please amend the above-captioned application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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